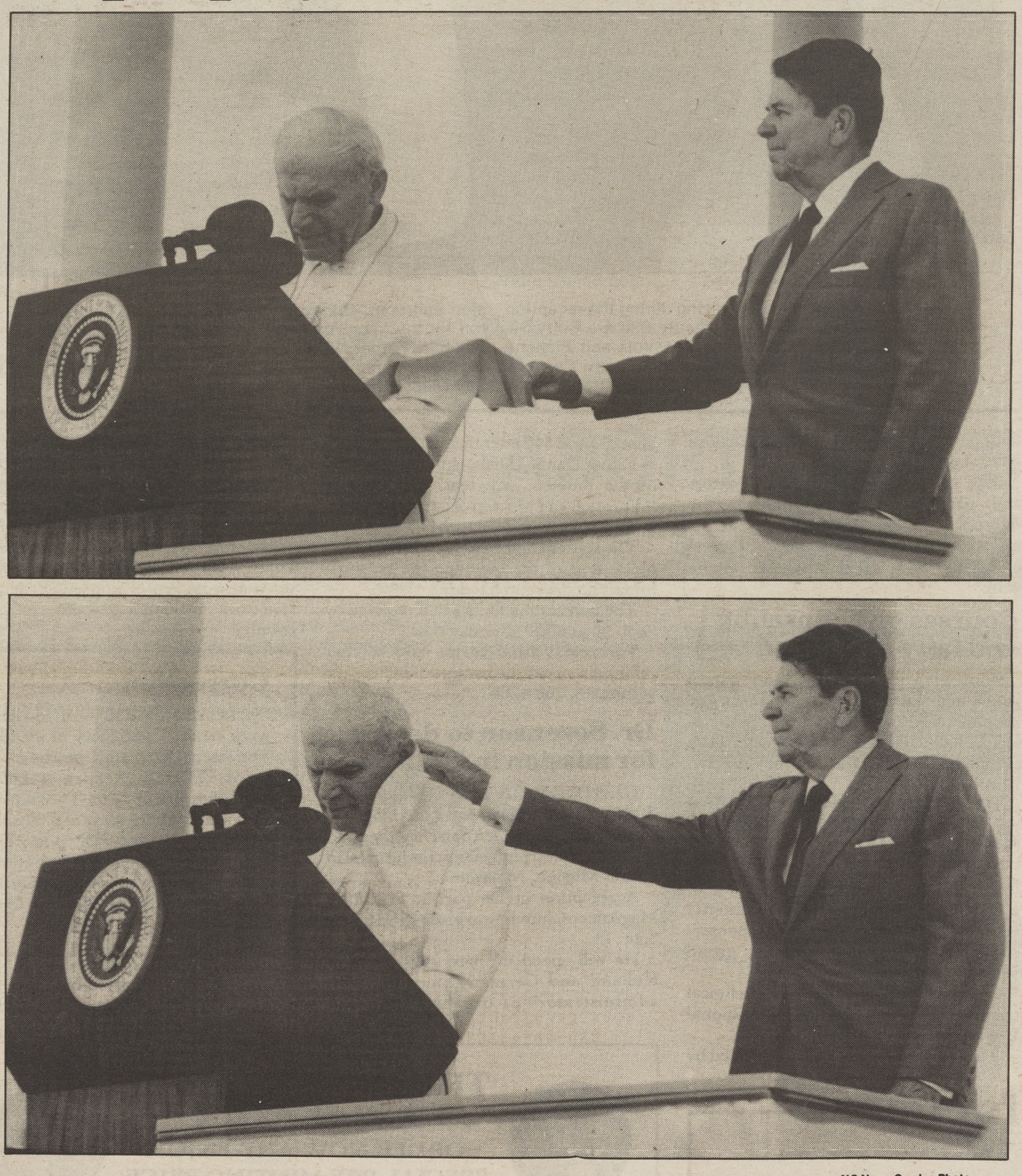
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Pope pays a historic visit to California



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HELPING HAND — Pope John Paul II received some assistance from President Reagan during his remarks last week at the Miami airport. When the pontiff's cowl was blown into his face by the wind, the president gave him a hand. John Paul became the first pope ever to visit California this week.

Millions see visiting pontiff in Los Angeles

By Laurie Hansen
NC News Service

LOS ANGELES — Among the throngs who heard Pope John Paul II speak here were lay leaders, clergy and Religious who packed St. Vibiana's Cathedral Sept. 15.

He told the group that acting in accord with the Gospel in a secularized world often means "being out of step with majority opinion."

While U.S. Catholics must give thanks for religious liberty, "freedom to follow your Catholic faith does not automatically mean that it will be easy to speak and act in the name of the Lord Jesus with a conscience formed by the word of God authentically interpreted by the church's teaching," the pontiff said.

"As citizens of the United States, you must give thanks to God for the religious liberty which you enjoy under your Constitution, now in its 200th year," he continued.

The pope cautioned, however, that "in a secularized world, to speak and act in the name of Jesus can bring opposition and even ridicule. It often means being out of step with majority opinion. Yet if we look at the New Testament, we find encouragement everywhere for perseverance in this testing of our faith. Jesus himself says, 'In the world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world' "(Jn 16:33).

He addressed his message in particular to "young people who are trying to live a responsible moral life in the face of a tide of popular culture and peer pressure that is indifferent, if not hostile, to Christian morality."

He said the exhortation also applied to clergy and Religious, "who may sometimes find it difficult to speak the full truth of the church's teaching because it is a hard saying that many will not readily accept."

The pontiff urged his listeners to invoke the name of Jesus as they meet the challenges of the Christian life.

Visit spurs a Mass exodus from chancery

By Veronica Garcia
Southern Cross

ALCALA PARK — Those who ventured into the Diocesan Offices building on Sept. 15 may have wondered about the unusual lack of activity there.

Typewriters were quiet, phone calls went unanswered and the usual stream of visitors slowed to a trickle.

The silence which engulfed the building may be attributed to that metropolis to the north of San Diego.

About one-fourth of the lay staff that can normally be found in the facility's many offices participated in Tuesday's papal Mass at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum.

Callers may not have recognized the voice answering phone calls to the offices of Bishop Leo T. Maher and Msgr. I. Brent Eagen, diocesan chancellor. Elvia Aguilar, the bishop's administrative assistant, and Elia Mitchell, the chancellor's administrative assistant, were among the 15 diocesan staffers who attended the liturgy.

The Department of Educational Ministry also had less than its normal number of personnel. Janice Walk, administrative assistant to vicar for education Father Stephen McCall, and Janet Gordon were among the congregation of more than 100,000 at the Coliseum.

Persons seeking information about insurance were unable to obtain it from Lynn Richardson.

Sister Alicia Sarre, director, and Guadalupe Huerta, consultant, were not available in the Office of Hispanic Evangelization.

The building may not have appeared as tidy as it normally would be, as maintenance staffers Manuel Bernal, Amando Salazar and Jose Vasquez also went to the papal Mass.

Absent from the Media Center was Rose Marie Fraites.

Lucy Granados was also some 120 miles away from her post in the Missions Office.

Others not at their usual stations in the Diocesan offices were Naomi Gallagher, who works with Educational Funding Service, Patricia Huerta, who labors in the second-floor print shop, and Aurora Rodriquez, who assists in the Schools Office.

'Rosaries for Peace' set Oct. 4

LEMON GROVE — The fourth annual 'Rosaries for Peace' celebration will be held Oct. 4, 7:30 p.m. at Balboa Stadium on the San Diego High School campus.

Last year's gathering at the University of San Diego Stadium drew over 5,000 participants. Sponsors hope the Marian Year event will bring 10,000.

It will feature a candlelight rosary procession similar to those held at Fatima and Lourdes. The combined choirs of Mission San Diego de Alcala and St. Michael Church, Poway, will provide music during the evening. Bishop Leo T. Maher will close the celebration with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Ceremonies will also include presentation of awards to last year's eighth-grade students for their winning entries in a Marian Year essay contest sponsored by the San Diego Committee of Rosaries for Peace.

Renee Raiche, who attended St. James Academy, Solana Beach, took first place in the competition. Other winners were former students at St. James Academy, Sacred Heart School, Coronado, and St. Patrick's, Carlsbad. Awards will also be presented to the three schools, according to Ruth Cerano and Mary Steiger, co-chairpersons of the event.

Ample parking space and seating for handicapped people will be available, according to organizers of the celebration.



Photo by Larry Plaster

BALLROOM BENEFIT — Socializing during the reception preceding the annual Spirit of Charity Ball are Betty Saville, left, Bishop Leo T. Maher, Don Volz and Blanche O'Brien. The benefit for Catholic Community Services was held Sept. 11 in the Town and Country Hotel's Mission Ballroom. The event honored John and Sally Thornton for their contributions to cultural and social service projects. Father Nicolas Reveles, pianist, performed during the program. He is coordinator of the University of San Diego's music department.

New dean appointed to USD nursing school

ALCALA PARK — Dr. Janet A. Rodgers has been appointed dean of the University of San Diego Philip Y. Hahn School of Nursing.

She will administer baccalaureate, master's and doctoral nursing programs at the school, which has an enrollment of 235.

Dr. Rodgers has held faculty and administrative positions in nursing at universities in Pennsylvania, Virginia and New York City. She replaces Dr. Irene Palmer, founding dean of the nursing school.

St. Charles Players continue performance

LOMA PORTAL — St. Charles players will continue their performances of the play, "The Importance of Being Ernest" in the parish social hall Sept. 19 and 20 at 8 p.m. The first productions were staged last weekend.

The cast includes professional actors and parishioners. John Moir is the director.

Tickets are $5 if paid for in advance and $7.50 and $10 if purchased at the door.

Courses on counseling and laity scheduled

ALCALA PARK — Courses on counseling skills and the vocation of the laity are scheduled next month at Salomon lecture hall, University of San Diego. They are sponsored by the Institute for Christian Ministries.

Dr. Dorothy Marron, a clinical psychologist, will teach "Basic Counseling Skills" Oct. 3 and 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. "It will provide participants with the framework and experience necessary to utilize a counseling approach in ministerial relationships," according to the sponsor. Activities will include lectures, group feedback and audio-video taping.

Marron is assistant director of clinical training at United States International University.

The registration fee is $35 if received by Sept. 30 and $40 after that date.

Father Daniel Dillabough, judicial vicar of the diocese, will teach the course, "Vocation and Mission of the Laity," Oct. 7, 14 and 21 from 6:30 to 9:15 p.m.

The sessions will examine the rights and obligations of the laity and the resulting impact on the church today.

The registration fee is $15 if received by Sept. 30 and $20 after that date.

For registration forms and further information, call the Institute for Christian Ministries, 260-4784.

Dr. Sorenson to depart for mission in Malawai

CLAIREMONT — Dr. Herb Sorensen, obstetrician and gynecologist at Kaiser Permanente, left San Diego Sept. 15 to serve as a staff physician at the hospital in Likuni Mission, Malawai.

A reception at his parish, St. Mary Magdalene Church, was given in his honor Sept. 13.

He will spend the next two weeks in Holland and Germany, meeting with administrators of organizations that support missions throughout the world.

This will be his fourth trip to the southeastern African country to minister as a medical missionary. He and his family lived there in the 1960s, in 1974 and 1985.

Dr. Sorenson told the *Southern Cross* he hopes to train village health care workers, develop a system of importing medicine and work on financing health care in the country.

Correction

ALCALA PARK — The eight-week series, "The Story of the Old Testament Covenant," will be given at St. Therese Academy, adult education Room 1, on Tuesdays at 7:15 p.m., Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m. and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. The series begins Sept. 27. One of the times was incorrectly published in the Sept. 4 issue. The *Southern Cross* regrets the error.

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Laotions celebrate their past, present, future

By Joyce Carr
Southern Cross

PARADISE HILLS — Local Laotians gathered at St. Rita Church Sept. 12 to celebrate their religious and cultural roots during a liturgy and youth program.

The event was sponsored by Emmaus Today, Inc., an organization that works with the Laotians. "We wanted them to experience a sense of unity and celebrate their culture," said Sister Rachel Daniels, SCMM, director.

Bishop Leo T. Maher was the principal celebrant of the Mass. Concelebrants were Msgr. Francis Pattison, pastor; Father Peter Tran of the Indochinese Catholic Center in Chicago; Father Michael French, chaplain of Emmaus Today, and Father Peter Escalante, Vocations Office director.

Father Tran delivered his homily in Lao and English. He invited his countrymen to be at home in the church, rather than feeling like strangers. He urged them to live the Gospel message by producing good fruit in their lives.

To others assembled, he explained that "it is natural for Asian refugees to feel like second-class citizens."

Uprooted from their past, demeaned in refugee camps, struggling to adapt to the U.S. life-style — these factors have hindered their participation in the life of the church, he said. "I don't think their faith has fallen apart. They look to Christ during this crucial time of their lives."

The homilist praised the non-Laotians for their presence at the celebration and encouraged them to show their love and appreciation of the Indochinese immigrants.

Bishop Maher told members of the assembly that God is with them on their journey of faith. In Old Testament times, "God liberated his people from slavery, protected and fed them in the desert. Today the Holy Spirit dwells in us ... God encompasses us with his love and restores life in us."

The bishop said that God's love brings joy to suffering and sorrow and gives a new vision of life.

The celebration continued with festivities in the parish hall.

Sanith Vorachak, president of the Catholic Laotian Association of San Diego, and his brother Sanome explained the traditional Laotian blessing, which was bestowed upon Bishop Maher, Fathers Tran and French and Sister Daniels.

Members of the Laotian community gave them fruit and flowers from a colorful centerpiece. They touched these symbols of life with yarn, which they wrapped around their wrists as Sanith Vorachak intoned a blessing. He prayed that God would grant them a long life, health and prosperity.

Vanh Phonsiri, treasurer of the Lao Catholic Association of Teen-agers of San Diego (LCAT), then introduced a panel discussion of their country's cultural values.

Soury and Ratry Vorachak, Vanphaeng Xayasane and Bounthavilay Souvannaphong spoke on courtship and marriage customs, family life, education and the Lao New Year, respectively.

Boys are favored over girls because they can become Buddhist monks and carry on the family name. Males also receive "as high a level of education as is possible," Ratry Vorachak said. For most girls, six years of schooling are considered adequate.



Photo by Joyce Carr

CANDLES AND COLOR — Members of the Laotian Catholic Association of Teen-agers perform the Candle Dance during a program presented by the youth. Khamla and Ratry Vorachak trained the dancers for their four performances. The program followed a liturgy at St. Rita Church.

Xayasane described Laotian immigrants as shy, lacking self-esteem and fearful of failure. However, she said that the "new generation in the United States has learned self-confidence."

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The nomination of Judge Bork stirs a debate

The upcoming confirmation hearings of Judge Robert Bork to the U.S. Supreme Court are causing hysteria within liberal circles.

It is difficult to understand the basis of this hysteria and the reasons for opposing the man. The American Bar Association gives him the highest rating as a jurist. He is also well respected within the legal community.

The fear that he will overturn 30 years of civil and social rights just doesn't make sense. After all, five Supreme Court justices must agree on a case before their opinion becomes law. Accordingly, Judge Bork — who would be one of nine justices — would have to convince at least four others if his views were to prevail.

If he can succeed in doing that, as the liberals apparently fear, then there must be some basis and sound constitutional justification for his opinions, for he will have convinced four other justices to agree with his interpretation of the Constitution.

Therefore, it seems obvious the liberals are truly impressed with Judge Bork, because they fear he will be so convincing, so moving, so persuasive that the rest of the court will agree with him.

Since that is the case, Judge Bork is needed. His legal brilliance, so recognized in the legal community, is what our country needs to guide us into the 21st century.

Jim C. Grisafi
El Cajon

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A supreme injustice

I read with interest the letter from Richard N. Martin, who lambasted the Knights of Columbus for endorsing Judge Bork's nomination to the Supreme Court of this land.

Of course, I have been a member of the Knights of Columbus 35 years, and not 40, so I cannot be expected to be so smart as to tell the whole organization where it should go and what it should do, so please excuse me.

Maybe Mr. Martin should use the seamless garment to some advantage to find out if his head is screwed on right.

We do need a man such as Judge Bork to sit on our Supreme Court, a man who is not a "pinko" and a liberal, and may very well be able to change a few of the evil things that have been going on in this country, things for which we will pay dearly one day.

I admire our president and believe the politicians in the capital should try to be of some assistance to him instead of fighting him at every angle. That is just not the job that they were elected to. We would all benefit some if these people would forget politics and get down to the business trying to run our country and use some of the old values.

Roger E. Meredith
Vista

An ideal candidate

The media's opposition to the Supreme Court nomination of Judge Robert Bork will be fierce, but particularly so because he upholds Christian ideals.

As the date set for Judge Bork's nomination draws closer, the witch hunt aimed at his character is certain to intensify. But people are not responding to the secular media the way they did in the past. It appears that the press has gone too far in terms of dictating to the public who is and who is not socially acceptable.

Ever since Col. Oliver North worked them over and thoroughly beat them at their own game, the masters of the electronic media haven't been quite the same. They now realize that "witch hunting" doesn't always work.

In any case, the nomination of Judge Bork to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court is certainly a cause which deserves the support and involvement of Catholics who are concerned about abortion, prayer in school, pornography and aid to private schools.

There is reason to believe that much of Judge Bork's support will come from individuals who have recently come alive and are concerned about the media's ongoing scheme to incite and condition the public to act on cue.

William Santy
San Diego

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Look for a busy, dizzy month

THINKING OUT LOUD
by MSGR. CHARLES DOLLEN

The Reagan presidency has not been a dull one. It has certainly helped many of us keep our adrenalin levels high. Furthermore, the Reagan presidency is far from over, both in the length of time it has to run and for the legacy it will leave for the rest of the century.

That he enjoys great personal popularity is attested to by poll after poll in the last seven years. Seldom has there been a president who has had such a long run of personal appeal. Still, he has seldom been able to translate this into popularity for his party, and he has usually faced a hostile — or at least unsympathetic — Democratic congress.

If it is true that politics is the art of the possible, of compromise, Reagan has not understood that.

Perhaps no one ever mastered the art of politics as well as Franklin Roosevelt. He put together a grand coalition by promising all segments some, rather than all, of what they wanted. These groups included the labor unions, farmers, ethnic groups, liberals, the religious and the poor.

This is something that all "one issue" Americans have to understand. On the political level, absolutes are seldom — if ever — obtained. A viable compromise must be worked out in a land where the majority rules, but the rights of the minorities must also be kept inviolate. It is a very delicate art that requires a master's touch.

Take the "pro-life" dilemma. We may see some excruciating twists and turns to this debate in the coming election. It's one thing to want to be right, in principle, but the political nuances must be accommodated. Sorry, but that's a hard, cold fact.

The president has consistently said he is pro-life. He has acted in accord with his principles as far as the political process will allow. But seven years of promises and appearances on Nov. 22 have not translated into action.

Now, according to George de Lama in the *Chicago Tribune*, Reagan faces the most difficult and challenging month in his presidency.

On arms control, he may come up a winner. It looks as if there are only a few compromises that are needed to finalize an agreement with the Soviet Union, a contract that would be a triumph for Reagan and a giant step toward world peace.

On the other hand, Mr. Reagan has thrust the U.S. Navy squarely into a flash-point in the Persian Gulf that could provoke war. Working for him is world opinion, the leadership of the United Nations, and a genuine distaste for war. He could pull this one out.

In Central America and the Caribbean, he is also wading into troubled waters. A permanent communist stronghold in either or both places is clearly intolerable to most Americans.

There is the appointment of Judge Robert Bork to the Supreme Court. It looks like a clear-cut battle between the nation's liberals and conservatives.

If Bork is defeated, the president may well nominate someone who is even more conservative, such as Senator Hatch, whom fellow senators might feel obliged to support. That is a distinct possibility, one I do not even like to consider.

Add to this list the continuing fight to balance the budget, control the federal deficit and restore a decent trade balance between this country and our major partners, we have a Washington scenario that grows increasingly interesting.

Even if you seldom follow politics, this is a good time to read the papers and watch the TV news.

There's a lot going on.

Msgr. Charles Dollen is the pastor of St. Gabriel Church in Poway. His column appears each week in the Southern Cross.

Will his vision open our eyes?

MY POINT OF VIEW
by FR. GERALD D. COLEMAN

The visit of Pope John Paul II to the United States has occasioned numerous responses.

The visit has ignited for many a renewed spark of faith, demonstrated by fasts, prayer services and elaborate preparations. Others have been moved to protest and anger, objections stemming from papal teaching or personal behavior, such as the pope's June meeting with President Kurt Waldheim of Austria.

The pope's visits to various countries have often been the occasion of such responses, and — more often than not — various arms of the media interpret these divergent reactions as a sign of division: "Roman Catholicism: a divided church."

Moral theology is a science through which human reason struggles to better understand God's revelation. God's revelation is obviously profound and historical and we are human, weak and historically limited.

In my mind, this struggle is understandable. I do not find it frightening, especially when carried on with the vision of the Second Vatican Council. Among its conclusions, after all, was that "faith throws a new light on everything."

The multiple and divergent reactions to the pope's visit should not, then, be a reason for discouragement, but rather an invitation to appreciate better our Catholic unity and diversity.

Proverbs 29:18 reminds us that "Where there is no vision, the people perish."

The media have been speaking a great deal about statistics: the percentage of Catholics who do not accept one or another of the church's teachings. This data may well express concern about how deeply church teaching has been taught and absorbed.

The more critical question, however, is one of faith. Perhaps a story will help.

A Sufi master was strolling through the streets with his students. When they came to the city square, a vicious battle was being fought.

Horrified by the bloodshed, the students implored, "Quick, master, which side should we help?"

"Both," the master replied.

The students were confused. "Both?" they asked. "Why should we help both?"

"We need to help authorities learn to listen to the aspirations of the people," the master answered, "and we need to help the people learn how not to compulsively reject authority."

In genuine community there are no sides. The pope's visit should be an occasion to find a better sense of unity within diversity.

In his classic work on the American character, "Democracy in America," Alexis de Tocqueville described those "habits of the heart," or mores, that gave U.S. citizens a unique new culture. The one characteristic that impressed him most was individualism.

The papal visit necessarily falls into this spirit of American individualism, but the visit must also be a call to community and wholeness. The church is first of all a community under Christ. The pope is the first shepherd whose scriptural mandate calls him to preach the Gospel in integrity.

The Gospel is both peaceful and challenging, comforting and disturbing. This is the "vision" of the papal visit, a posture which reminds all of us we are still in a struggle to assimilate the fullness of God's revelation.

Father Gerald D. Coleman is president and rector at St. Joseph Seminary in Los Altos. His column appears each month in the Southern Cross.

The U.S. welcomes Pope John Paul II

Pope is seeing the vitality of his church

The media have placed the church in America under a microscope during recent weeks because of the papal visit. CBS aired a one-hour special last week on the Catholic Church in America and the MacNeil-Lehrer News Hour presented a fascinating dialogue with such diametrically opposed representatives as Al Matt, editor of the archconservative *Wanderer* and Father Charles Curran, the Catholic University of America theologian recently disciplined by the Vatican for his teachings on sexual morality.

MY POINT OF VIEW
by ROSEMARY JOHNSTON

It would be much less discomfiting if media representatives were to report that all is peaceful within Catholic America.

Controversy is disconcerting to many people. How much easier it is to surrender one's decision-making capabilities to others and passively obey whatever orders are handed down. But life, a truly human life, is not that simple. Life is messy, confusing, and sometimes painful. Even when others offer guidance and the wisdom of their own experience, it is not always clear which direction leads to truth.

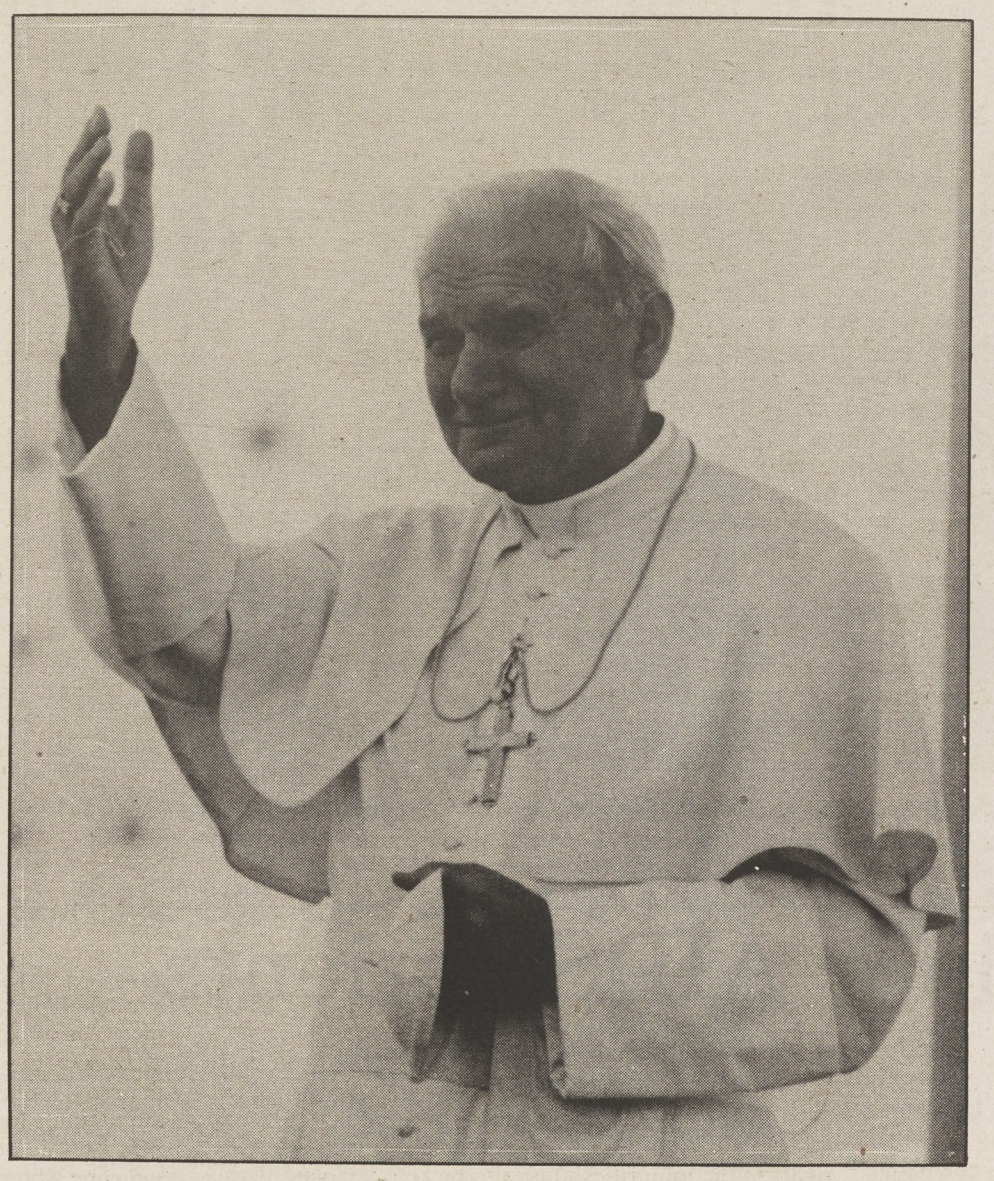
Contrast the hustle and bustle of a shopping mall or a village square to the peace and quiet of a mausoleum. The mausoleum is always tranquil, but there is obviously no life there.

It has been said that the opposite of love is not hate, but indifference. Ask any teacher or entertainer how it feels to be greeted with a deadly indifference. Ask anyone in a significant relationship what it is like when someone says: "I just don't care anymore." It's devastating. It is much easier to deal with people who are not afraid to express doubt and ask questions.

Another tenet to keep in mind is that the church exists in a historical context. This does not mean that the church has to conform to the fickle trends of a particular society. But it does mean that the church must be attentive to the society in which it exists. The church does not exist in a time warp or a time capsule. The Holy Spirit speaks to the church not only through Scripture and tradition but also through contemporary events and trends.

In a letter to the people of Great Britain before his visit there in 1970, the great Cardinal Leo Joseph Suenens wrote:

"The church herself is the scene of great activity: crew and passengers are learning every day at what point their lot is identical and how life on board concerns all of them. From a timeless church we have passed to the image of a church situated at the very heart of history. This change of imagery imposes a kind of mental revolution. We have to learn to see the church as the people of God sailing across the ages, passing from one culture to another and conditioned by history."



NC photo by Mike Okoniewski

MIAMI ARRIVAL — Pope John Paul II waves to the crowd gathered at Miami International Airport as he arrives for his second major visit to the United States. The pope will travel to nine U.S. dioceses and wind up in Fort Simpson in Canada.

At one time or another in our church's history, moral theologians have given at least tacit approval to such practices as witch trials, slavery, forced conversions, torture and the burning of heretics. As their understanding of the dignity of humanity evolved, these practices were condemned.

In the past 100 years, through its official teaching in papal encyclicals, the church has changed its thinking. In the Syllabus of Errors, promulgated by Pius IX in 1864, religious liberty was dismissed as a delirium. Contrast that thinking to the Vatican II document on religious liberty and on ecumenism. These writings suggest, among other things, that salvation is accessible to non-Catholics and even to non-Christians.

Until the promulgation of Pius XII's "Divino Afflante Spiritu," Catholics were instructed that only a literal interpretation of Scripture was permissible, despite the finding of biblical scholars, linguists and archeologists. Today, it would be considered un-Catholic to suggest new discoveries and findings in biblical exegesis should be ignored.

Pius IX also suggested in the "Syllabus of Errors" that it would be anathema for the Roman Pontiff to reconcile and adjust himself with progress, liberalism and modern civilization." However, in a document entitled "Mysterium Ecclesiae," issued by the Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith in July of 1973, it is asserted that even dogmas are historically and culturally conditioned and therefore subject to development. Dogmas, the document points out, are conditioned by presupposition (a particular context of faith and human knowledge), particular concerns (formulated with the intention of solving certain problems), thought categories (the changeable conceptions of a given epoch,) and the available vocabulary (the expressive power of language at a given time).

This suggests that revelation did not reach completion in the apostolic age.

Much has been written lately of the Waldheim affair, the controversial meeting of Pope John Paul II with Austrian President Kurt Waldheim, who is accused of complicity in Nazi war crimes. Again, our church once promoted Christian anti-semitism, but the Vatican has now announced plans for an encyclical specifically condemning anti-Semitism.

The upcoming synod on the laity represents another development in church teaching. "Note here, venerable brethren, the appearance already of that most pernicious doctrine which would make the laity a factor of progress in the church," Piux X wrote in "Pascendi Gregis." Yet in the Vatican II document on the "Dogmatic Constitution on the Church," it is stated that "In some cases (the laity's) experience and competence together with the gifts they receive from the Holy Spirit give them insights into revealed truth in advance of the bishops and theologians."

A living organism like the church is always in need of renewal if it is to survive and thrive. It has been said that truth is not like stone. It is a thing of the spirit which is lost if it is allowed to petrify.

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ALTAR DESTROYED — Crews examine twisted metal which is all that remains of the papal Mass site at Westover Hills in San Antonio, Texas. Just a few days before Pope John Paul II was scheduled to celebrate Mass on the altar, a violent storm moved through the area, toppling the twin towers behind the altar.

Love urged for AIDS patients

NC News Service

PHOENIX — In Phoenix the pope told Catholic health workers that among the new challenges facing them is acquired immune deficiency syndrome, a "crisis of immense proportions."

"Besides your professional contribution and your human sensitivities toward all affected by this disease, you are called to show the love and compassion of Christ and his church," he said.

At a meeting with Native Americans, the pope said church blunders in its initial contacts contributed to European oppression of them.

At the same time, he said, there were always church people who defended Indian rights and today the church recognizes the contributions of Indian culture to the universal church.

"Your encounter with the Gospel has not only enriched you; it has enriched the church," he said.

His earlier visit, in 1979, had taken him to the East and the Midwest. The itinerary for this trip spanned 5,331 miles.

Overall theme of the pope's visit was "Unity in the Work of Service." The schedule called for him to deliver 45 speeches and homilies, and to listen to presentations by representatives of various groups.

As Pope John Paul moved out to meet American Catholics, there was an underlying Vatican concern over an apparent split between those strictly adhering to doctrine and those favoring more flexibility based on personal conscience.

The situation had caused some strained relations between American bishops and Vatican officials, who sometimes viewed dissent as a result of doctrinal leniency by bishops. Those tensions were on the unwritten agenda for a closed-door meeting between the pope and most of the almost 400 U.S. bishops in Los Angeles midway through the trip.

Other activities in Los Angeles included a teleconference with youths, a meeting with non-Christian leaders, a mass in the coliseum and joining Nancy Reagan for an informal chat with Catholic students.

From Los Angeles, the pope's route turned north to Monterey where he would celebrate Mass for Hispanic farmworkers and then go to the Carmel Mission basilica for a prayer at the grave of 18th-century missionary Father Junipero Serra.

In San Francisco the trip provided for a papal addresss to representatives of the country's nearly 149,000 members of male and female religious orders.

Lay people would get their turn the following morning to express concerns about their role in the church and the world — the theme of the world Synod of Bishops scheduled to open shortly after the pope's return to Rome.

Pope John Paul also would meet about 100 AIDS patients among the guests invited by the archdiocese to his visit to Mission Dolores Basilica.

In Detroit, the final U.S. stop, the focus shifted to the role of the permanent diaconate and church social teachings.

Detroit also was the site where the Polish-born pope was to meet with more Polish-Americans — about 600,000 live in the Detroit Archdiocese — who had prepared for weeks to greet him. In San Antonio he had met members of the Polish community of Panna Maria, Texas, oldest permanent Polish settlement in the United States.

From Detroit, the pope planned to fly to a meeting with Canadian Indians at Fort Simpson, Northwest Territories.

Majority is faithful, pope says

By Agostino Bono
NC News Service

MIAMI — Dissent from church teachings among American Catholics is a "serious problem," but not the majority view, Pope John Paul II said at the beginning of his U.S. visit.

There are "some persons" who differ with doctrine, but there is also "the great silent majority that is faithful," he told journalists aboard the papal flight to Miami.

The pope said that to be a good Catholic is to follow "the teachings of our Lord expressed through the church" which is a "theocratic" institution.

The pope also said homosexuals, especially AIDS victims, are not "outcasts" and their place is "in the heart of the church" along with other suffering people.

But it is impossible to say if AIDS, a sexually transmitted disease, is God's punishment for homosexuals, he added.

"It's not easy to know the intentions of God," the pope said. "He is justice. He is mercy. And he is love."

The pope noted that he plans to see AIDS victims in San Francisco.

"The church is doing all that is possible to heal and especially prevent the moral background of this disease," he said.

Regarding dissent from church teachings, the pope said, "of course it is a serious problem. But the other question is if it is the dissent of many, many faithful people or the dissent of some very pronounced theologians or publishers, writers, and perhaps journalists," he said.

The pope answered "don't exaggerate" when asked if the U.S. church is headed for a schism.

During his visit, the pope said he plans "speaking to the great silent majority that is faithful and also speaking to those who are dissenting."

Catholics who believe they can violate church teachings and still be good Catholics are mistaken, he said, because "it is necessary to follow the teaching of our Lord as expressed through the church."

Of possible demonstrations against his policies, the pope said, "I am used to that."

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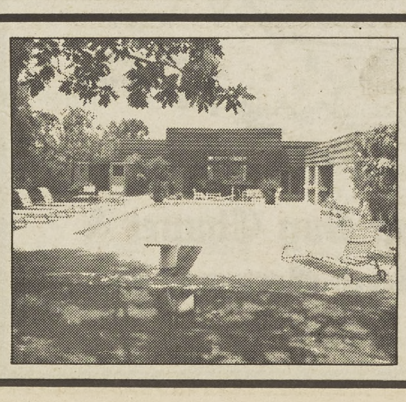
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Pope: Church is a home for all cultures

By Joyce Carr
Southern Cross

ALCALA PARK — "There is no black church, no white church, no American church. There is ... one church of Jesus Christ, a home for blacks, whites, Americans, every culture and race," Pope John Paul II told nearly 2,000 black Catholics Sept. 12 at the New Orleans Superdome.

Eleven U.S. black Catholic bishops attended the event.

Two representatives of black Catholics in the Diocese of San Diego also attended: Audrey Chung, president of the Diocesan Pastoral Council, and Ruth Hatcher, president of the Pastoral Council of Christ the King Church.

The pope encouraged the group to continue enriching the church with its black cultural heritage. He challenged them to be models of reconciliation. "Continue to inspire us by your desire to forgive — as Jesus forgave — and by your desire to be reconciled" with all Americans, "even those who would unjustly deny you the full exercise of your human rights."

He stressed the importance of evangelizing black communities by promoting family values and by keeping "Catholic schools strong and alive."

The pope decried the poverty prevalent among U.S. blacks, stating that they "suffer a disproportionate share of economic deprivation." He also praised the nonviolent response to this oppression by blacks such as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

He directed certain remarks to the bishops, priests, deacons and Religious in the audience. "Black Religious today offer a comparable witness to the church and society, proclaiming God's kingdom to a world shackled by consumerism, mindless pleasure-seeking and irresponsible individualism."

Preceding the pontiff's address, Bishop Joseph Howze of the Diocese of Biloxi, Miss., summarized proposals of The National Black Catholic Pastoral Plan, which were adopted at this year's National Black Catholic Congress.

These proposals were compiled from summaries of black Catholics' needs submitted from dioceses throughout the country, Chung said.

Bishop Howze emphasized the need for acceptance of black worship styles in the liturgy and for increased black leadership in the church, Chung said. The bishop blamed racism for this lack of leadership.

Chung said the diocese will implement proposals of the black Catholic pastoral plan by meeting with Bishop Leo T. Maher and with blacks in the diocese.

NC News Service reports were used for this article.

San Diegans in the holy day spirit

By Joyce Carr
Southern Cross

CHULA VISTA — How do you participate in a Mass celebrated by Pope John Paul II without leaving your parish?

Ask Benedictine Sister Joan King, adult religious education coordinator at St. Rose of Lima Church.

She conceived the idea of a parish papal party, which was attended by more than 400 parishioners. They gathered in the church Sept. 15 to view live television coverage of the papal liturgy, which was projected onto a 15-foot screen. Smaller TV sets were installed in the transepts of the church, Sister King said.

Using souvenir booklets of the pope's visit, "The Holy Father in California's Southland," parishioners joined their Los Angeles counterparts in prayer and song to celebrate the liturgy for the feast of Our Lady of Sorrows.

They had assembled before that time to practice hymns used during the Mass.

As the Eucharist was being distributed to the Los Angeles throng, the Chula Vista group participated in a Communion service led by Msgr. Charles Young, pastor, and Father Henry Rodriguez, associate pastor.

They continued their celebration with a potluck dinner in the parish hall.

For members of St. Michael Church, Paradise Hills, preparation for the pope's visit began weeks ago as groups met in homes for a block rosary.

Prayers for the pope continued Sept. 8, with an evening Mass for the feast of the birth of Mary celebrated by Father Michael Hunn, associate pastor. Msgr. Anthony Giesing, pastor, then led the assembly in praying the rosary. A photo of Pope John Paul II adorned the sanctuary of the church.

The pope's North American pilgrimage also found its way into local Catholic schools.

Administrators contacted in several schools said their students prayed for the pope and watched some of the televised events on Sept. 15.

The liturgy for the opening-of-school Mass Sept. 9 at St. Michael Church incorporated the papal visit into its theme, "Called to Serve."

In his homily, Msgr. Giesing told the pupils that the Holy Father inspires them to be unified in their service of each other.

Local couples join pope in S.F.

By Veronica Garcia
Southern Cross

ALCALA PARK — Three couples from the Diocese of San Diego are scheduled to join 600 other laypersons at a meeting with Pope John Paul II Friday morning in San Francisco

The pope hoped to meet for 90 minutes with laity from throughout the United States in the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption.

The gathering will focus on the experiences and concerns of the American laity. The increase of professionals in lay ministry will also be discussed.

The lay participants consist of persons who live out their baptismal commitment in the world, are employed in full-time ministry in the church, are actively involved in lay movements or are leaders of lay organizations.

Chosen by Bishop Leo T. Maher to represent the San Diego diocese, the delegates are:

• Ginger and Bob Infantino. She is director of the Office of Catechetical Ministry; he is director of teacher education and special education at the University of San Diego. Both are active in liturgy planning at St. Catherine Laboure, where they are parishioners.

• Mary and John Bixby. Mary is completing a doctoral study on educational leadership at USD, is the South Bay representative to the Diocesan Pastoral Council and is the former principal of St. Charles School. John is a member of St. Rose of Lima School's Parent-Teacher Group and has served on the parish council.

• Tom and Josephine Balestrieri. Josephine has been the secretary at St. Rose of Lima parish for 15 years. She and her husband are also active members of the Italian Catholic Federation at the local and national levels.

Last year two of the couples received papal honors in recognition of their service to the church. Mary Bixby and Josephine Balestrieri were presented with the *Pro Ecclesia et Pontice* medal. John Bixby and Tom Balestrieri were named Knights of the Order of St. Gregory.

The small number of participants at the meeting will permit San Diego's representatives to be in fairly close proximity to the pope.

"I can focus my eyes on this great man for almost two hours," Josephine Balestrieri remarked. "This is the opportunity of a lifetime ... where history is being made."

The meeting will include three formal presentations by lay persons, she told the *Southern Cross*.

Donna Hanson, chairperson of the Advisory Committee to the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, will speak on "The American Catholic Laity." Patrick S. Hughes, director of pastoral ministry for the Archdiocese of San Francisco, will speak on "Lay Professionals in Church Ministries."

Their speeches will be followed by a film that shows some of the daily realities of Catholics in the United States. The film was produced by Martin Doblmeier of Journey Communications.

After the presentations, Pope John Paul II will address the participants.

Later in the day, representatives are scheduled to reassemble to reflect on the papal gathering.

The six delegates from the San Diego diocese are looking forward to this special meeting in which participants will have the opportunity to reflect on their experiences as lay Catholics in the U.S. church.

The special meeting will allow participants to discuss common problems and difficulties, Bob Infantino said.

"The opportunity to dialogue with lay representatives from all across the country will be very stimulating," Mary Bixby said, adding that she plans to give a presentation on the San Francisco meeting to the DPC on Sept. 26.

Organizers hoped the afternoon session will serve as a final consultation with laity before next month's synod on the laity in Rome.

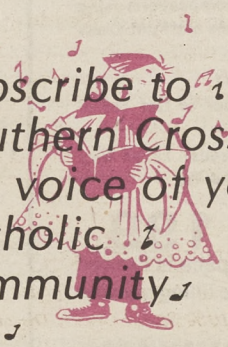
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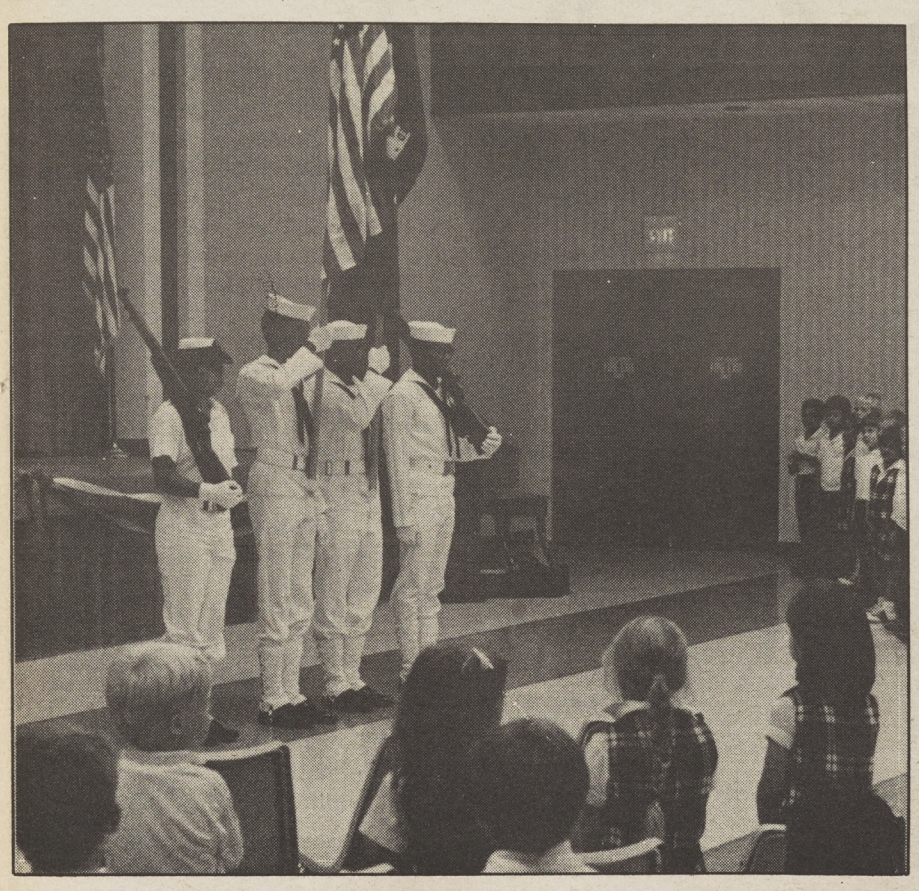


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INAUGURATION — St. Therese Academy students stood at attention as the Naval Training Center Color Guard performed during an inauguration ceremony for the school's new student government on Sept. 11. The event was held in the parish center.

Music can be 'healthy'

DEAR BOB
by BOB MUELLER JR.

Dear Bob,

What type of music do you feel is healthy and what type is unhealthy? Specifically, what do you think of Bon Jovi?

Music Lover

Dear Music Lover,

Bon Jovi has some great music and some awful music. What makes a song healthy or unhealthy has more to do with what it says than how it sounds.

At first I thought "Secret Lovers" by Atlantic Star was one of the prettiest songs I had heard in years. I'd find myself singing it without really thinking about it. Then one day I realized the song was a story about two people cheating on their spouses and children — adultery! A lot of music is like that; it sounds good but it "says" bad.

The danger is that we usually listen to the tune and ignore the lyrics. But somehow, at some level, we still hear them and many times sing them. We never judge the content as good or bad but we repeat it over and over. This repetition can desensitize us to things that should really be recognized as wrong.

Listen to the words! Make judgments. Ask yourself, "Is this message the way I want to live?" If not, say so. Turn the channel or remind yourself that the song is saying offensive things when you hear it. You may also find that in listening to the words, you hear some very positive messages — sometimes God herself!

Break the news to mom

Dear Bob,

My mom has a flower vase she loves very much. Only flowers given to her by my father can go in it. Well anyway, I was tossing a volleyball in the house, lost control and it hit the vase. It shattered into a million pieces. I tried gluing it but I think it will leak. I feel terrible. What should I do?

All Cracked Up

Dear All Cracked Up,

You probably know you need to tell her you broke it. Beyond that, you need to be forgiven. Begin by listening to the reasons you feel so bad. These will be helpful when you apologize and ask to be forgiven. Let her know you understand how special it was and what it meant to her. You should also realize that although the vase was special, you are her child. Forgiveness may be slow in coming but it will come.

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That's entertainment? Well, yes and no

Following are capsules of recent reviews Bill Hagen has prepared for the *Southern Cross*:

BENJI THE HUNTED (G) — After a 10-year absence from the screen, during which he undoubtedly was leading a dog's life, Benji returns to remind his fans that when it comes to acting, he's no bow-wow. After a boating accident, Benji is washed ashore in the Pacific Northwest and almost immediately comes upon four fractious cougar cubs, recently orphaned by a heartless hunter. Until Benji can find a proper adoptive parent for the cubs, it falls upon him to care for them. The photography is terrific, as is Benji. This is the perfect temporary baby-sitter for harried parents wondering how to keep the tykes entertained for a while

USCC Rating: A-1, general patronage.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

BLIND DATE (PG-13) — This frantic farce from Blake Edwards has no middle ground. Audiences either roar with laughter or squirm with frustration. The title pretty well describes the story, a blind date between a buttoned-down, ulcer-bound young business executive (Bruce Willis) and an attractive but decidedly different young woman (Kim Basinger). The date has devastating results. It is non-stop nonsense and it works more often than not.

USCC Rating: A-3, adults.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

CAN'T BUY ME LOVE (R) — A cotton-candy movie for the young set, this film features an intelligent, witty and decent high school senior (Patrick Dempsey) who would like to be popular. Using money he has earned by mowing lawns over the summer, he rents the most popular girl in the school (Amanda Peterson), who is in need of financing to replace an expensive outfit she has borrowed from her mother and ruined. The boy becomes popular, but also totally different. The moralizing is heaped on with a trowel, and covers up most of the comedy.

USCC Rating: A-3, adults.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

DIRTY DANCING (PG-13) — This one is better than its title might have you believe, but it is much less than it might have been. Set in a mountain resort, it pairs a 17-year-old idealist (Jennifer Grey) with a street-wise young tough (Patrick Swayze). Naturally, the young man's dance partner is otherwise detained and our heroine is tapped to be his partner. They dance together and, eventually, sleep together. It's a trite story, filled with cliches, salvaged only by the impressive work of Grey and Swayze.

USCC Rating: A-3, adults.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

FULL METAL JACKET (R) — Stanley Kubrick returns with his eagerly awaited saga of the Vietnam War. It is a powerful, disturbing movie enriched with bold touches distinctly Kubrick's. It is neither as raw nor as passionate as Oliver Stone's "Platoon," but it's more accessible and more entertaining, despite its violence and vulgar language.

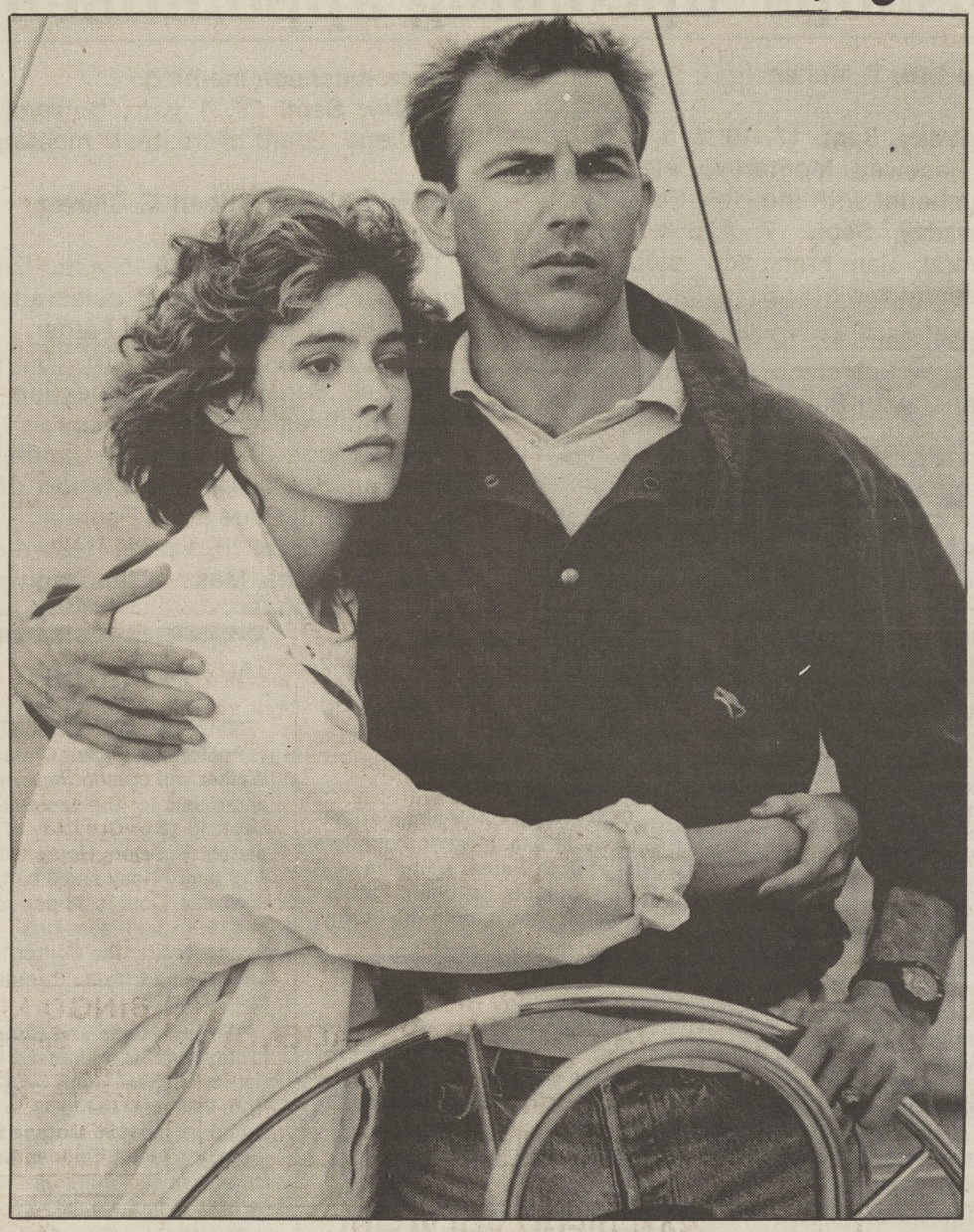
USCC Rating: A-4, adults, with caution.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

INNERSPACE (PG) — This fantasy adventure from Steven Spielberg is not without flaws, but it is a crackling good movie. A radical scientific experiment goes awry and a miniaturized adventurer (Dennis Quaid) is accidentally injected into the body of a grocery clerk (Martin Short). With Quaid rocketing around Short's system in a tiny spaceship, this movie is obviously different, but it's wonderful, funny stuff. Of special note are the remarkable optical and special effects.

USCC Rating: A-2, adults and adolescents.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

JAWS, THE REVENGE (PG-13) — The latest installment in the fish story series is better than "Jaws II" or "Jaws III," but this is damning with faint praise. To make a short story shorter, the big shark decides to wipe out the Brody family, which has plagued its predecessors through three previous movies. The premise is ludicrous, and the move never recovers from that fact, no matter how many innocent young feet are dangled in the water to hype the suspense.

USCC Rating: A-2, adults and adolescents.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆



STORMY SEAS — Stars Sean Young and Kevin Costner have reason to look pensive in the recent thriller, 'No Way Out.'

THE LIVING DAYLIGHTS (PG) — The new James Bond is Timothy Dalton, a splendid choice, and his debut is a dandy. A substantial story based on a short story by the late Ian Fleming, there is action. Thrills. Magnificent stuntwork. Most impressive, however, is the sophisticated gadgetry so vital to the fun and excitement of all James Bond movies. This time, Bond helps an important Soviet official defect to the West and quickly discovers that things are far more complex than expected. This chapter of the 007 series tastes different than its predecessors, but it is a tasty treat, nonetheless.

USCC Rating: A-2, adults and adolescents.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

NO WAY OUT (R) — This is a gritty, gripping political thriller that the late Alfred Hitchcock would no doubt have enjoyed. Kevin Costner is an American naval officer assigned to the defense department. Gene Hackman is the Secretary of Defense. Unknown to each other, they are sharing the affections of the same woman, Sean Young. And when the woman dies, Costner leads the investigation that eventually leads to himself as the prime suspect. The movie crackles with excitement, and is one of the best films of this or any year. Parents, though, should be advised that it contains enough profanity, violence and sexual content to carry an "R" rating.

USCC Rating: A-3, adults.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

REVENGE OF THE NERDS II (PG-13) — The revenge is on the audience in this disgusting sequel to the original, in which a bunch of campus wimps turn the tables on their persecutors. The perpetrators of "II" have wrung every bit of charm from the original, replacing it with nonstop — and nonfunny — scatalogical "humor." This one is totally infantile and totally repugnant. The *real* nerds are those who are paying to see it.

USCC Rating: A-3, adults.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆

ROBOCOP (R) — "RoboCop" is an android pieced together from the bullet-riddled body of a human policeman named Murphy, played by Peter Weller. What of Murphy has been retained, aside from the face, is a mystery, but RoboCop is turned loose on the criminals of Detroit with a badge and some slick effects. It's strictly comic book stuff, but it's a violent and profane comic book. It's too grisly to be much fun.

USCC Rating: O, morally offensive.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

STAKEOUT (R) — Richard Dreyfuss stars in this light-hearted cops-and-robbers yarn in which a couple of detectives run surveillance on a woman suspected of helping an escaped convict. Dreyfuss falls in love with her, which leads to any number of complications. He is good in this movie, but the film itself has little to offer beyond Dreyfuss.

USCC Rating: Not rated.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS (G) — Fifty years after she first danced across the screen, Snow White is still the fairest of them all. Testimony to the greatness of this movie is the fact that it remains as enchanting and enthralling as ever. It is truly a movie that has everything. It has wonderful characters, what with a beautiful princess, a dashing prince, a jealous queen, and some adorable dwarfs — particularly the cantankerous Grumpy and tangle-tongued Doc. There is splendid music. Romance. Laughter. Adventure. Danger. In short, this film is a masterpiece that has only improved with age.

USCC Rating: A-1, general patronage.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

SPACEBALLS (PG) — Mel Brooks presents this indelicate spoof of futuristic space epics, primarily the "Star Wars" trilogy. Unfortunately, Brooks is not at all selective, and his scattershot approach is the major problem with his movie. It's too often aimlessly out of control, and it often suffers needless and irritating lapses in taste. Brooks shows little of the affection he lavished on spoofs of other genres, such as "Young Frankenstein," "Blazing Saddles" and "High Anxiety."

USCC Rating: A-3, adults.
Southern Cross Rating: ⋆ ⋆ ⋆

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Movie Ratings

★★★★★

No Way Out (R), A-3
Roxanne (PG), A-3
Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs (G), A-1
The Untouchables (R), A-3
Withnail and I (R), A-3

★★★★

Adventures in Babysitting (PG-13), A-3
Back to the Beach (PG), A-3
Benji the Hunted (G), A-1
Blind Date (PG-13), A-3
Full Metal Jacket (R), A-4
Hamburger Hill (R), O
Innerspace (PG), A-2
The Living Daylights (PG), A-2
The Witches of Eastwick (R), O

★★★

The Big Easy (R), A-3
Born in East L.A. (R), A-3
Can't Buy Me Love (PG-13), A-3
Dirty Dancing (PG-13), A-3
Dragnet (PG-13), O
The Fourth Protocol (R), A-3
Harry and the Hendersons (PG), A-2
Hot Pursuit (PG-13), A-3
La Bamba (PG-13), A-2
Maid to Order (PG), A-2
Million Dollar Mystery (PG), A-2
Predator (R), A-3
Project X (PG), A-2
RoboCop (R), O
Spaceballs (PG), A-3
Stakeout (R), N.R.
Tin Men (R), O

★★

The Believers (R), A-3
The Barbarians (PG-13), N.R.
Burglar (R), A-3
Jaws, the Revenge (PG-13), A-2
A Man in Love (R), N.R.
Nadine (PG), A-2
No Mercy (R), O

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The Allnighter (PG-13), O
Beverly Hills Cop II (R), O
The Good Wife (R), O
Meatballs III (R), N.R.
Revenge of the Nerds II (PG-13), A-3
Steele Justice (R), O
Three for the Road (PG), A-2

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A-1 General patronage
A-2 Adults and adolescents
A-3 Adults
A-4 Adults, with caution
O Morally offensive
N.R. Not rated

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CALENDAR

Bishops' upcoming appointments

Bishop Leo. T. Maher

Thursday, Sept. 17, 10:15 a.m., Laguna Seca Raceway, Monterey, celebration of the Eucharist with the Holy Father.

Thursday, Sept. 17, 7 p.m., St. Mary Cathedral, San Francisco, meeting with representatives of U.S. Religious.

Friday, Sept. 18, 10:45 a.m., Candlestick Park, San Francisco, celebration of the Eucharist with Pope John Paul II.

Sunday, Sept. 20, 6:30 p.m., Mandeville Auditorium, UCSD, San Diego community tribute to the late Rabbi Samuel Penner.

Tuesday, Sept. 22, noon, Diocesan Office dining room, San Diego, Noah Homes luncheon meeting.

Friday, Sept. 25, 1 p.m., University of San Diego, board of trustees' meeting.

Auxiliary Bishop Gilbert E. Chavez

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Saturday, Sept. 19, 1 p.m., Resurrection Church, Fontana, Mass of thanksgiving.

Parishes

Blessed Sacrament, San Diego, will have an information forum Oct. 5 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the parish hall. The parish is planning to celebrate its 50th anniversary in May 1988. For more information, call 583-4612.

Good Shepherd, Mira Mesa, will hold its Oktoberfest on Oct. 2-4. Hours: 6-10 p.m. Friday; 2-9 p.m. Saturday; and 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday. Featuring games, entertainment, food, prizes and bingo.

Holy Angels Byzantine Catholic Church will hold its annual bazaar Sept. 19-20 from noon to 7 p.m. at the parish on Galahad Road. For information, call 277-2511.

Holy Family, Linda Vista, will have its annual Parish Bazaar on Oct. 3-4. Featuring a giant balloon release, games, food, entertainment and bingo. Hours: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday; 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday. For more, call 277-0404.

Most Precious Blood, Chula Vista, will have the third annual Guadalupana dinner and dance Oct. 9. Cost is $10. Tickets may be purchased from any Guadalupana Confederation member.

Our Lady of Grace, El Cajon, will sponsor a blood drive Sept. 27 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parish hall. Call 296-6393 ext. 37.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Calexico, needs cooking utensils, used fryers and food for its shelter for men. For more, call 357-0894.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Chula Vista, will hold a dinner-dance Oct. 9. Tickets are $10. For tickets, call 422-3977.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Rancho Peñasquitos, will hold a discussion entitled "The Catholic Church: Who Are We?" on Sept. 20 at 10 a.m. in the church. For details, call 484-1070.

Resurrection, Escondido, will have a Hawaiian luau Sept. 20 from 1 to 6 p.m. in the social hall. Cost is $8 adults; $3.50 children. Music will be by Pat Fonseca. The parish will hold a study and reflection on "How Jesus Came to Help Us Be Free" on Sept. 22 at 9 a.m. in the church. The programs repeats Sept. 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the conference room. Sister Mary Lou, OSF, will facilitate both sessions.

St. Agnes, Point Loma, has perpetual adoration Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. To sign up, call 225-1350 or 222-3364.

St. Catherine Laboure, Clairemont, will have a blood drive Sept. 26 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the CYO building. Call 296-6393 ext. 37.

St. James, Solana Beach, will have a lecture series, "The Unfolding Revelation of God in the Hebrew Scriptures," on Sept. 20, 27 and Oct. 4 at 7 p.m. Presenter is Sister Ann Johnston, RSCJ. The parish will present Wholly Holy Sept. 13 at 7 p.m. For details of these events, call 755-7669. A blood drive is planned on Sept. 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For information, call 296-6393 ext. 37.

St. Martin of Tours, La Mesa will host an "Active Parenting" workshop on Sept. 17 at 7 p.m. in Barry Hall. For more, call Mary Heuberger, 466-6463, or Lois Dotson, 442-2722.

St. Mary, Escondido, will hold its Fiesta '87 on Sept. 25-27. Featuring carnival rides, games, food, entertainment and prizes.

St. Patrick, North Park, will host a luncheon and card party on Sept. 26 at noon in the parish hall. Donation is $3.50. For reservations, call 281-1730 or 283-3476. St. Patrick's Seniors have the following trips upcoming: a bus trip to see the T.V. show "227" on Sept. 29, $20, includes a catered box lunch; a trip to the Bates Nut Farm and Pumpkin Patch Winery Oct. 7, $17; a bus trip to see the T.V. shows "Mama's Family" and "9 to 5" Oct. 9, $20, including a catered box lunch; a Tijuana grand tour Oct. 20, $29, includes lunch and visit to Cultural Center and Omnimax Theater; a trip to see "Paint Your Wagon" at the Harlequin Theatre in Santa Ana Oct. 24, $32, includes dinner; a harbor cruise in Marina del Rey Oct. 29, $28.50. For information on these trips, call 282-7109.

St. Pius X, Chula Vista will hold its Western Day II Oct. 2-4. Featuring games, food, entertainment and a dance. The parish will sponsor a bus trip to "The Glory of Christmas" at Crystal Cathedral Dec. 2. Cost is $35. For reservations, call 469-5940 or 697-4001.

St. Rita, San Diego, has adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from Monday through Saturday. For sign up, call 264-3165.

St. Therese, Del Cerro, has a scripture study three times a week in the parish education room 1. Schedule is Tuesday at 7:15 p.m.; Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. and Thursday at 7:30 p.m. For information, call Sister Elizabeth, 582-2585.

St. Vincent de Paul, Mission Hills, has planned a trip to the Four Queens in Las Vegas, sponsored by the CDA, on Oct. 19-21. Cost is $85. For reservations, call Mary Mella, 299-4956 or 295-6287. The parish holds a meeting for seniors each Wednesday from 9 a.m. to noon in the parish hall. Activities include senior marketing that features fresh produce at reasonable prices, speakers, films, and bingo.

San Rafael, Rancho Bernardo, will have a buffet dinner and attend the Padre game on Oct. 3. Cost is $18.50. Sponsored by the Men's Club. For details, call Bill Napier, 487-6007.

Santa Sophia, Spring Valley, will hold its "Casa de Oro Fall Festival" Sept. 18-20. Hours are 6 p.m-midnight Friday; 11 a.m.-midnight Saturday; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday. Featuring live entertainment, carnival rides, game booths, an auction and more. For information, call 463-6629.

Liturgies

A roving Mass will take place Sept. 27 at 7:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish, Lakeside. Sponsored by the diocesan young adult ministry office. For information, call 449-7229.

A novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help will be held on Monday, Oct. 12-Dec. 2, at 7 p.m. at Mission Basilica San Diego de Alcala.

Tridentine Latin Mass is celebrated Sundays at 9 a.m. and holydays at noon in Holy Cross Chapel. Msgr. Tullio Andreatta is the celebrant. Confessions and the rosary precede Mass. For details, call 298-8763.

USD Chapel Choir sings at the Sunday 11 a.m. Mass in Founders Hall at USD. Father Nicholas Reveles directs the choir; Father Dennis Krouse directs the liturgy.

Groups

Catholic Singles Club will meet for Mass and brunch on Sept. 20, 9:30 a.m., at Immaculate Conception Church, Old Town. For details, call Vito, 281-0853.

Secular Franciscans, Third Order, will meet Sept. 20 at 2 p.m. in the parish center at Mission San Luis Rey. Visitors are welcome.

Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites will hold their monthly meeting Sept. 20 at the Carmelite Monastery. For information, call Muriel Sawaya, 281-0763.

Serra Club will have a luncheon meeting Sept. 23 at 12:05 p.m. in the Padre Trail Inn. For details, call 277-1610.

Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will hold an executive board meeting Sept. 23 at 10 a.m. in the Knights of Columbus Hall in Lemon Grove. Coffee and rolls will be served at 9:30 a.m. Cost is $3.50. For reservations, call 466-8283.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas will sponsor a luncheon and fashion show Sept. 26 at 11 a.m. at the Fiesta Theater. Cost is $12. For reservations, call 290-9640 or 443-7527.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, California State Court, will hold its district meeting training seminar for members and officers Oct. 17-18 at the Holiday Inn in Mission Valley. For details, contact Mary Freitas.

Patrons will sponsor a Las Vegas trip Oct. 23-25. Bus leaves Fashion Valley at 4 p.m. Friday. For reservations, call Pat, 443-2197, or Doris, 279-3122.

St. Martin Women's Club will sponsor a bus tour to the Lawrence Welk Theater for "Sugar" on Oct. 15. Cost is $32. The group plans a Las Vegas bus tour Nov. 9-11. Cost is $80. For reservations, call 466-5587.

Mothers of priests and seminarians host a rosary, Mass and luncheon — beginning at 11 a.m. — on the third Monday of each month at St. Francis Seminary. For more information, call Virginia Hamilton, 465-7431.

Workshops

Pastoral musician Christopher Walker will present new music and music for the sacraments Sept. 18-19 at Our Lady of Grace parish, El Cajon. Hours will be 7-10 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m.-noon Saturday. Cost is $8 per session or $15 for both sessions. Sponsored by the Center for Liturgy and Prayer. To register, call 293-3375.

"Young Adults and Christian Living" will be addressed by Father Michael Hunn Sept. 19 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in St. Brigid parish hall. Cost is $10, including lunch. Sponsored by St. Brigid Young Adults. For more, call Bill Benefield, 581-0952.

Preschool religious education course will begin Sept. 19, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in Serra Hall, USD. Cost is $40. Sponsored by the Office of Catechetical Ministry. To register, call 574-6334.

Basic Catechist Course, a 48-hour course for beginning catechists, will begin Sept. 22 at 7 p.m. at St. Charles parish, Imperial Beach. Cost is $50. Sponsored by OCM. To register, call Pat Zanoni, 429-4101.

The Fall Catechetical Institute will be held Sept. 26 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at USD. Sponsored by the Office of Catechetical Ministry. For further information, call Donna Cravens, 574-6311.

A lector training workshop, in Spanish, will take place Oct. 3 at Resurrection parish, Escondido. For details, call the Center for Liturgy and Prayer, 293-3375.

A "Prayer for Active People" series will be held Oct. 7, 21, 28 and Nov. 4, 11, 18 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at St. Therese parish. Cost is $15, $20 per couple; $3 per single session. Presenter is Father Max Oliva, SJ.

A liturgy planners workshop will be held Oct. 13 at All Hallows parish, La Jolla. For information, call the Center for Liturgy and Prayer, 293-3375.

High Schools

Academy of Our Lady of Peace will hold its "Parent-Teacher Back to School Night" on Sept. 23 at 7 p.m. at the high school.

Retreats

Whispering Winds Summer Conferences will be held Sept. 25-27 when Father John Aurelio from Buffalo, NY, will speak on "A Living God Living Among Real People." The conferences will be held at the camp in Julian. Cost is $75, meals included. For reservations, call 265-7878 or 582-6069.

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"Mark, the Earliest Gospel," a course by the Institute for Christian Ministries, will be held Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Lutheran Church of the Incarnation in Poway. Presenter is Rev. Jack Lindquist. Cost is $30 before Sept. 16 and $35 after that date. For information, call 260-4784.

"Making Work Teams More Effective," a business update breakfast seminar, will take place Sept. 25 at 7:30 a.m. in Manchester Executive Conference Center. Cost is $15. To register, call 260-4585.

Celebrations

Annual Irish festival and dance competition, Sponsored by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Divison One, will take place Sept. 26-27 from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. at St. Columba parish. Admission is $3. For details, call Murray, 298-3749.

Miscellaneous

Notre Dame University will host an information forum about the university's programs and admission requirements on Sept. 21 at 7 p.m. at the rear of The Immaculata. For further information, call 277-6780 ext. 2389.

Catholic Newman Center at SDSU will sponsor a blood drive Sept. 22 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the main hall. For details, call 296-6393 ext. 37.

"Night With the Padres" will be sponsored by Whispering Winds Family Camp Oct. 3. Cost is $15 and includes a barbecue beef dinner. For details, call 273-4563, 281-4593 or 743-3081.

A canonization pilgrimage to the Vatican will be sponsored by the Filipino Priests Fellowship Oct. 14-23. For details, call Teresita Ong, 818-282-5355.

Prayer partner for priests is being formed by St. Charles Borromeo Prayer Group. Those interested in participating should write: St. Charles Borromeo Prayer Group, 2802 Cadiz St., San Diego, 92110. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope so that a picture and prayer card may be sent to you.

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El Papa nota el valor de cultura hispana

Lista elementos necesarios para la parroquia en un discurso en San Antonio

Por Laurie Hansen
NC News Service

SAN ANTONIO, Texas — Hablando en español, el Papa Juan Pablo II les dijo a católicos hispanos el 13 de septiembre que la catequésis, la comunidad, los sacramentos y la oración son los elementos esenciales de la vida parroquial.

Dijo que la parroquia es ''la familia de familias,'' y dijo que la vida parroquial está determinada por ''los puntos fuertes y débiles y las necesidades de la familias que la componen.''

El pontífice expresó estos sentimientos durante una plática sobre el ministerio parroquial a 3,000 personas reunidas en la Plaza de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, parte de un proyecto de desarrollo urbano a un costado de la parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe en el oeste de San Antonio.

La parroquia hispana está situada en una parte empobrecida de la ciudad donde el crimen y la violencia son comunes.

Durante su plática, el Papa se paró enfrente de un mural pintoresco mostrando a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe y el pontífice dando la bienvenida al pueblo de San Antonio con las iglesias del lado oeste de la ciudad en el fondo. El mural fue un proyecto realizado por prisioneros en *Bexar County Detention Center* en San Antonio.

El discurso en la Plaza de Guadalupe fue el único evento durante el viaje papal — del 10 al 19 de septiembre — en que el pontífice habló solamente en español.

Concluyó su plática con el deseo de que ''la Virgen Santísima de Guadalupe ame y proteje al pueblo hispano.''

''Viva la Virgen de Guadalupe,'' dijo el Papa, sonriendo a su audencia.

''Viva! Viva el Papa!'' contestó la gente, agitando pequeñas banderas mexicanas y estandartes de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, patrona de la Américas.

En su discurso, el Papa dijo que la herencia hispana de San Antonio y el Sudoeste es importante para la Iglesia.

Notando que el español fue el idioma de los primeros evangelizadores al continente, dijo que los hispanos hoy ''deben ser no menos celosos'' en la evangelización y el servicio cristiano que sus predecesores.

El pontífice también suplicó a las familias hispanas que animen a los jóvenes a hacerse sacerdotes y religiosos.

Hablando de la necesidad de educación religiosa al nivel parroquial, el Papa Juan Pablo dijo, ''Todos necesitan ser instruídos en la fe.''

En la parroquia, la fe se transmite de muchas maneras, dijo, incluyendo la liturgia, la instrucción religiosa para niños, educación religiosa para adultos, grupos de oración, asociaciones para actividades pastorales y la prensa católica.

El pontífice dijo que la catequesis tiene un ''tema objetivo,'' y advirtió, ''no podemos inventar nuestra fe mientras vamos por la vida.''

Subrayó que la familia es el lugar más apropiado para la enseñanza de la fe, las virtudes cristianas y los valores humanos.

El Papa dijo que las parroquias deben estar completamente comprometidas al cuidado pastoral de las familias ''especialmente en presencia de tanta división y socavación de la vida familiar en la sociedad.''

Instó al clero y los líderes laicos a ''proclamar toda la verdad'' sobre la ''naturaleza exclusiva'' del amor conyugal, la indisolubilidad del matrimonio, las enseñanzas eclesiales sobre la transmisión de la vida, y los derechos y obligaciones de padres acerca de la educación de sus niños, especialmente educación religiosa y moral, incluyendo educación sexual ''apropiada.''

''Así como la parroquia tiene una responsibilidad hacia la familia, también la familia debe ser consciente de sus obligaciones hacia la parroquia, que es la familia extendida,'' dijo el Papa Juan Pablo II.



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CHUBASCO — El Papa Juan Pablo II está amparado de un fuerte aguacero mientras él celebra la Santa Misa en *Dade County Youth Fairgrounds* en Miami. Unos minutos después la Misa fue detenida cuando la tempestad y los relámpagos se convirtieron en amenazas para el Papa y las 250,000 personas participando en la Misa. El Papa terminó la liturgia adentro de un remolque pequeño.

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THIS ORDER to Show Cause (CGP 1227) is to change the name of Kimberlee Anne Aids from Kimberlee Anne Aids to Kimberlee Ann Malanga. It is ordered that all persons interested in the above-entitled matter appear before this court at 1:30 p.m. Oct. 13, 1987 Dept. 35 at San Diego, California and show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name not be granted. This Order to Show Cause was filed with the County Clerk of San Diego County on August 31, 1987. 9/18, 25, 10/2, 9

Pope reminds priests to keep the faith

By Liz Schevtchuk
NC News Service

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— Pope John Paul II

MIAMI — Pope John Paul II last week told American priests they play "an indispensable role" in the life of the church but that priests must reflect "the specific charism of the magisterium" on church teaching authority.

"Through the action of the Holy Spirit an immense amount of good has been done" in "authentic renewal" sparked by the Second Vatican Council, he said during a speech to 750 priests.

His comments followed an American priest's plea that the church further explore issues of priestly celibacy, women's roles in the church, and other controversies.

The priest, Father Frank J. McNulty of Newark, told Pope John Paul that if individual priests could talk directly to him they would speak of their loyalty but also of their deep concerns.

The two men spoke at St. Martha's Church in metropolitan Miami, first stop on the pontiff's U.S. visit.

"Today there are indeed many sensitive issues which priests must deal with in their daily ministry," the pope said. "I know from listening to many priests and many bishops that there are different approaches to such issues.

"In this regard, however," he said, "it is important for us to realize that the same Holy Spirit from whom come all the different and wonderful charisms and who dwells in the hearts of all the faithful, has placed in the church the specific charism of the magisterium, through which he guides the whole community to the fullness of truth."

The pope praised the priests for "striving to be merciful and gentle and forgiving like the Good Shepherd whom you know and imitate and love and to whom you have pledged your fidelity."

"No other path is possible," he said. "Sometimes, however, what is asked of you in the name of compassion may not be in accord with the full truth of God. If what is claimed to be a gesture of mercy goes contrary to the demands of God's word, it can never be truly compassionate or beneficial to our brothers and sisters in need."

Both he and Father McNulty, who has been vicar for priests in the Newark Archdiocese since 1979, drew standing ovations after the speeches, and the priests stood on pews, snapped photos and cheered the pope's arrival as well. But Father McNulty's address was interrupted several times by sustained applause, while the pontiff's remarks drew silence until the conclusion.

"These recent years have not been easy for priests," Father McNulty said in his speech, officially delivered on behalf of all U.S. clergymen.

Yet, despite some of the pitfalls priests have confronted, said Father McNulty, "if you looked into their eyes you would see a spark, a rejoicing in the Lord as their shepherd, a rejoicing in their love of ministry."

Through ordination, "we became co-workers with the bishop, collaborators in his mission and yours to continue the work of Jesus Christ," he said. "Thus our loyalty has a solid base and so does our desire for unity."

He said other priests once had advised him to "be honest but also be encouraging" in speaking to the pope. "To be dishonest would be a terrible disservice to you and my brother priests," he told John Paul.

He noted that priests are instructed at ordination to serve the people, and said "it is because priests take that charge so seriously there are some serious concerns about our ministry."

While the church is "committed to a bold proclamation of the truth" it is "also a forgiving church," he said. "It troubles us that people often do not perceive the church as proclaiming integral truth and divine mercy, but rather as sounding harsh, demanding."

Priests worry — and morale suffers — because of the shortage of priests, he added.

"But even as we promote vocations, the celibacy question — as you so well know — continues to surface," he told the pope. He said priests know and are grateful for the pope's support for their celibate commitment "because it is not easy to strive to be warm, loving and affective men and yet remain faithful to that commitment."

However, he continued, "we can only ask you to continue along paths of support and exploration," including exploration of the celibacy tradition and "of how the discipline of celibacy can be most effectively implemented today."

He appealed similarly for attention to women's concerns.

"The movement of women toward practical equality is a major dynamic of our time," he said. "Because of the complexity and urgency of this movement, especially as it relates to the church, there is need for study, reflection and above all, more dialogue with women."

"Priests are encouraged by Your Holiness' words of support to women whose service — as you have amply indicated — is essential to the life of the church," Father McNulty added. "We would also be greatly encouraged if the Holy See would continue to explore the range of service women night appropriately offer."

Pope John Paul expressed understanding for the hardships of the priests' lives.

"I am very much aware that your fidelity to Christ's will for his church and your pastoral sensitivity will demand great sacrifice and generosity of spirit," he said.

"To all of you I express my gratitude for your ministry, for your perseverance, for your faith and love, he said.

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Workshop to deal with care of the terminally ill

SAN DIEGO — The San Diego Hospice will hold a four-day workshop, "Caring for Special People," next month to assist clergy and other religious leaders in their ministry to dying people.

Sessions on Oct. 19, 26 and 27 will be held at the San Diego Hospice office, 3840 Calle Fortunada, Suite 100. They will continue at Mission San Luis Rey the evening of Oct. 27 and on Oct. 28.

The workshop is designed to increase participants' ability to offer comfort, support and quality resources to families facing terminal illness, according to Chaplain Milton Hay of the San Diego Hospice.

The workshop, previously held annually, is now being scheduled twice a year. "The demand for this type of education is extremely important," due to an increase in the elderly population and new terminal diseases, Hay said.

Msgr. John Portman, pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Coronado, and advisory board member of the San Diego Hospice, attended a recent workshop.

He highly endorses it. "It sensitized me to where the patient is in the whole process of illness. The dying experience is different for each person; some are lonely and frightened." The workshop helps one become more empathetic to these people, he said.

The sessions will address topics such as theological/spiritual reflection, personal death awareness, bereavement guidance, counseling aids, pain control and resources offered by the hospice. Some of the content will be based on two books: "Denial of Death" by psychologist Ernest Becker and "Jesus and the Eucharist" by Jesuit Father Tad Guzie, Hay said.

San Diego Hospice staff will conduct the presentations, which will include speakers, small-group discussions, films and videos.

For registration forms and further information, call the San Diego Hospice, 560-0302.

Nun joins Vocations Office

ALCALA PARK — Franciscan Sister Bea Wagner joined the Vocations Office staff Sept. 1, according to Father Peter Escalante, director of vocations. She replaces Franciscan Sister Bonnie Pelloux.

Sister Wagner has worked in the diocese since 1977 as Director of the Diocesan Media Center and with the lector training program for the Center for Liturgy and Prayer.

Presently, she is completing production of a slide/sound program, "Media and Catechesis: a Training Module for Catechists," which is partially funded by the Catholic Communication Campaign.

Sister Wagner will begin her new ministry on a part-time basis.



Sister Bea Wagner